As a service to our English speaking listeners, we present this summary of the week's news stories from Lithuania as well as items of local interest, read in English. Our news comes to us from the Open Media Research Institute by way of the Internet and from the ELTA news service courtesy of the Lithuanian Embassy in Washington, D.C. Internet access is graciously provided by John Carroll University Computer Network Services.

VILNIUS, May 16 (Reuter) - Lithuania's parliament on Tuesday swore in Arvydas Kostas Lescinskas as energy minister after the resignation of his predecessor. A spokesman for President Algirdas Brazauskas said the president had accepted the resignation of Algimantas Stasiukynas on Monday and chosen Lescinskas to take his place. Lescinskas, a mechanical engineer born in 1946, has been a senior official in the Ministry of Transport for the last three years.

ARCHIVE DISCOVERY MAY EXACERBATE LITHUANIAN, POLISH RELATIONS. The Jamestown Foundation reports that Lithuanian officials reported that they had found in a church a large archive on the activities of the Armija Krajowa during World War II. The news service said that the archive contains materials showing that this Polish group cooperated with the Nazi occupation authorities and had independent plans to occupy Lithuania.

POLISH AMBASSADOR PROTESTS LITHUANIAN STATEMENTS ON ARCHIVE. Poland's' ambassador in Vilnius Jan Widecki released a statement criticizing Lithuanian statements about the newly discovered archive of Armija Krajowa documents. Widecki said that the archives deserved careful study rather than serving as the basis for "premature" charges about Polish designs on Lithuania during World War II.

LITHUANIAN-POLISH COOPERATION. Polish and Lithuanian Defense Ministers Zbigniew Okonski and Linas Linkevicius signed in Warsaw on 12 May protocols on military cooperation under NATO's Partnership for Peace program and on the creation of a joint airspace control system, BNS reported. The first protocol provides for exchanging experiences in training UN peacekeepers and establishing a peacekeeping training center in the Lithuanian town of Rukla. The second protocol calls for consultations on technical matters and how to bring the future system in line with NATO standards. -- Saulius Girnius, OMRI, Inc